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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of)
DONALD L. SCHILLING et al.)
Serial No. 09/729,911)
Filed: December 6, 2000)
For: DISTRIBUTED NETWORK, SPREAD-)
SPECTRUM SYSTEM)

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

Kindly amend the above-captioned patent application as
follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend the following claims:

5. (Once Amended) A distributed network, spread-spectrum
system, comprising:

a central office for sending a plurality of packets
over the distributed network;

a hub node for receiving the plurality of packets from
the central office, and for sending the plurality of packets
with spread-spectrum modulation over the distributed network;

a plurality of nodes for relaying the plurality of
packets with spread-spectrum modulation; and